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## Idaho Potato Production Unchanged From November

Idaho's potato production is expected to total 131 million cwt, unchanged from the November forecast and up 12 percent from last year's 116 million cwt. Planted acres of 320,000 and harvested acres of 319,000 are up 15,000 acres from 2008. Statewide, yield is 411 cwt (field-run basis), up 28 cwt from last year and 25 cwt more than the previous record of 386 achieved in 2006. Yield in the 10 Southwestern counties, at 500 cwt, decreased 40 cwt from 2008.

Acreage for the 10 Southwest counties, at 19,000 acres planted and harvested, increased 4,000 acres from last year. Because of the acreage increase, total production in the area is up 17 percent from last year at 9.50 million cwt. In Idaho's "other counties," yield is estimated at 405 cwt, compared to 375 cwt a year ago. This is the highest yield recorded for this area. Other area production from 300,000 harvested acres is expected to total 122 million cwt, 12 percent above last year's 108 million cwt.

## Potatoes: Planted, Harvested, Yield and Production By Seasonal Group, State, and United States, 2008 – 2009

States	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	1,000 Cwt				Cwt		1,000 Cwt	
WINTER	11.0	9.0	11.0	8.7	230	245	2,530	2,132
SPRING	70.3	75.6	68.8	73.4	293	291	20,132	21,325
SUMMER 1/ FALL	47.2	43.9	45.1	42.5	306	346	13,805	14,705
California	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	470	495	3,948	4,158
Colorado	57.0	56.0	56.9	55.2	385	400	21,907	22,080
IDAHO, ALL	305.0	320.0	304.0	319.0	383	411	116,475	131,000
- 10 SW Counties	15.0	19.0	15.0	19.0	540	500	8,100	9,500
- Other Areas	290.0	301.0	289.0	300.0	375	405	108,375	121,500
Maine	56.0	56.0	54.7	55.5	270	275	14,769	15,263
Massachusetts	2.8	3.5	2.7	3.5	260	260	702	910
Michigan	43.0	45.0	42.5	43.5	350	360	14,875	15,660
Minnesota	50.0	47.0	48.0	45.0	425	470	20,400	21,150
Montana	10.9	11.0	10.5	9.5	330	345	3,465	3,278
Nebraska	19.5	20.0	19.4	19.8	425	440	8,245	8,712
Nevada	5.8	5.1	5.8	5.1	410	465	2,378	2,372
New Mexico	5.9	6.5	5.9	6.4	390	420	2,301	2,688
New York	18.0	17.1	17.8	16.5	320	300	5,696	4,950
North Dakota	82.0	83.0	81.0	75.0	280	255	22,680	19,125
Ohio	2.5	2.3	2.1	2.1	325	335	683	704
Oregon, ALL	35.3	37.0	35.3	37.0	529	580	18,676	21,460
- Malheur, Co. 2/ - Other Areas 2/	2.8		2.8		460		1,288	
Pennsylvania	32.5		32.5		535		17,388	
Pennsylvania	10.0	10.0	9.5	9.5	265	310	2,518	2,945
Rhode Island	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	280	210	140	84
Washington	155.0	145.0	155.0	145.0	600	610	93,000	88,450
Wisconsin	63.5	63.5	62.0	63.0	415	460	25,730	28,980
TOTAL FALL	931.1	936.9	922.0	919.4	411	429	378,588	393,969
UNITED STATES	1,059.6	1,065.4	1,046.9	1,044.0	396	414	415,055	432,131

1/ Estimates for current year carried forward from an earlier forecast. 2/ Estimates discontinued in 2009

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## Idaho Potato Stocks Up 14 Percent from Last Year

Potato stocks held by growers, dealers, and processors in Idaho on December 1 totaled 96.5 million cwt, 11.5 million cwt more than on hand December 1, 2008. Disappearance, at 34.5 million cwt is up from last year's 31.5 million cwt. Stocks in the 10 Southwest counties totaled 5.60 million cwt, up from last year's 4.20 million cwt. The Other counties' stocks, at 90.9 million cwt, were up from the 80.8 million cwt stored on December 1, 2008.

Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 265 million cwt of potatoes in storage December 1, 2009, up 9 percent from a year ago but slightly below December 1, 2007. Potatoes in storage accounted for 69 percent of the 2009 fall storage States' production. Potato disappearance, at 120 million cwt, was 5 percent below December 1, 2008 and down 9 percent from 2007. Season-to-date shrink and loss, at 14.1 million cwt, was up 11 percent from the same date in 2008 but 1 percent below 2007.

### Production and Total Stocks of Fall Potatoes Held by Growers, Processors and Local Dealers on December 1, 2008 and December 1, 2009 1/

STATE	CROP OF 2008			CROP OF 2009		
	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS DECEMBER 1, 2008	DECEMBER 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS DECEMBER 1, 2009	DECEMBER 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION
	<u>1,000 Cwt</u>		<u>Percent</u>	<u>1,000 Cwt</u>		<u>Percent</u>
California	3,948	1,900	48	4,158	2,100	51
Colorado	21,907	16,600	76	22,080	15,800	72
Idaho	116,475	85,000	73	131,000	96,500	74
Maine	14,769	11,300	77	15,263	12,000	79
Michigan	14,875	8,300	56	15,660	8,700	56
Minnesota	20,400	13,200	65	21,150	13,000	61
Montana	3,465	3,400	98	3,278	3,200	98
Nebraska	8,245	5,600	68	8,712	5,800	67
New York	5,696	2,600	46	4,950	2,500	51
North Dakota	22,680	14,800	65	19,125	13,000	68
Oregon	18,676	16,100	86	21,460	17,400	81
Washington	93,000	49,500	53	88,450	54,500	62
Wisconsin	25,730	15,400	60	28,980	20,000	69
13 STATES	369,866	243,700	66	384,266	264,500	69
Klamath Basin 2/		4,000			4,500	

1/ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2008 totaled 24.5 million cwt. 2/ Includes potato stocks in CA and Klamath Co., OR. Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

## U.S. Dairy Products October 2009 Highlights

**Total cheese** output (excluding cottage cheese) was 861 million pounds, 1.3 percent above October 2008 and 2.2 percent above September 2009.

**Italian type cheese** production totaled 361 million pounds, 3.6 percent above October 2008 and 2.9 percent above September 2009.

**American type cheese** production totaled 347 million pounds, 1.2 percent above October 2008 and 2.3 percent above September 2009.

**Butter** production was 112 million pounds, 14.3 percent below October 2008 but 18.3 percent above September 2009.

**Dry Milk Powders:** (comparisons with October 2008)

Nonfat dry milk, human --- 91.5 million pounds, down 24.4 percent.

Skim milk powders --- 10.2 million pounds, down 42.0 percent.

**Whey products:** (comparisons with October 2008)

Dry whey, total --- 88.7 million pounds, up 1.1 percent.

Lactose, human and animal --- 64.1 million pounds, up 6.7 percent.

Whey protein concentrate, total --- 35.7 million pounds, down 0.4 percent.

**Frozen products:** (comparisons with October 2008)

Ice cream, Regular (hard) --- 70.2 million gallons, down 0.7 percent.

Ice cream, Lowfat (total) --- 28.8 million gallons, up 5.6 percent.

Sherbet (hard) --- 3.39 million gallons, down 18.7 percent.

Frozen Yogurt (total) --- 5.18 million gallons, down 3.4 percent.

## Mid-November Prices Received by Farmers

Preliminary indications of prices received by Idaho farmers for the month of November showed increases for alfalfa hay, all barley, malting barley, dry edible beans, all wheat, calves, all milk, and steers and heifers. Prices decreased for feed barley, all potatoes, beef cattle, and cows.

For the U.S., the preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in November, at 134 percent, based on 1990-92=100, was unchanged from October. Producers received higher prices for lettuce, eggs, milk, and tomatoes. Lower prices were received for apples, broccoli, strawberries, and grapes.

### Prices Received by Farmers for Selected Commodities, November 2008 - November 2009

Commodity	Unit	Idaho			United States			
		November 2008	October 2009	November 2009 <sup>1/</sup>	November 2008	October 2009	November 2009	
							Price <sup>1/</sup>	% Parity
<b>CROPS:</b>								
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	225.00	115.00	120.00	165.00	109.00	110.00	--
Barley, All	Bu.	5.58	4.69	5.34	5.44	4.35	4.10	45
Feed	Bu.	3.35	2.83	2.55	3.43	2.33	2.35	--
Malting	Bu.	5.67	5.01	5.65	5.63	4.94	4.64	--
Dry Beans	Cwt.	38.90	24.90	32.00	34.60	29.90	31.40	48
Potatoes <sup>2/</sup>	Cwt.	7.00	6.75	6.25	8.77	7.03	7.20	38
Fresh <sup>3/</sup>	Cwt.	10.60	4.90	--	14.97	7.27	--	--
Processing	Cwt.	5.60	7.50	--	6.01	6.99	--	--
Wheat, All	Bu.	7.08	4.65	4.96	6.29	4.47	4.79	35
<b>LIVESTOCK &amp;</b>								
Beef Cattle <sup>4/</sup>	Cwt.	71.80	71.80	71.40	84.30	79.20	79.80	33
Cows <sup>5/</sup>	Cwt.	40.80	45.30	43.70	43.10	43.60	42.00	--
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	87.00	82.10	85.10	90.90	84.40	85.60	--
Calves	Cwt.	92.00	96.00	100.00	105.00	104.00	105.00	31
Lambs	Cwt.	97.00	94.00	--	100.00	97.00	--	--
Milk, All <sup>6/</sup>	Cwt.	15.70	14.00	14.60	17.10	14.20	15.00	32 <sup>7/</sup>

1/ Mid-Month. 2/ Average price of potatoes sold for all uses, including table stock, processing, seed and livestock feed. 3/ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock prices. 4/ "Cows" and "steers & heifers" combined. 5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter. 6/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling. 7/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price.

### United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-1992 =100	October 2008	November 2008	October 2009		November 2009 Preliminary
			Preliminary	Revised	
Prices Received	150	142	135	134	134
Prices Paid	187	182	175	176	176
Ratio <sup>1/</sup>	80	78	77	76	76

1/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers to Index of Prices Paid.

## Dry Bean Production Up 35 Percent

Idaho's 2009 dry edible bean production is expected to total 1.98 million cwt, up 35 percent from last year's production of 1.46 million cwt. Planted acreage of 100,000 and harvested acreage of 99,000 increased from last year's 80,000 acres planted and 79,000 acres harvested. Average yield was 2,000 pounds per acre, up 150 pounds from the previous year.

Pinto production increased sharply from last year and continues to account for the largest portion of Idaho's crop with 39.5 percent of Idaho's production. Chickpea (garbanzo) production also increased from last year and accounts for 21.0 percent of the total. The majority of chickpea production is the large type. Small red production decreased from last year to account for 8.9 percent of Idaho's production. Pink production accounts for 8.6 percent. Great Northern production accounts for 4.7 percent of production. Navy production accounts for 4.2 percent of Idaho's production, and Black production accounts for 3.5 percent. Light red kidneys, dark red kidneys, cranberries, small whites, and other classes made up the remaining dry edible bean production in Idaho. Of the eleven classes of dry edible beans estimated for Idaho during 2009, nine classes (pinto, chickpea, pink, great northern, navy, black, light red kidney, dark red kidney, and small white) posted production gains from last year, while only small reds decreased production from last year. Production of cranberry beans was unchanged from last year.

Nationally, U.S. dry edible bean production is forecast at 25.2 million cwt for 2009, virtually unchanged from the October forecast but 1 percent below last year. Harvested acreage is forecast at 1.45 million acres, 1 percent above the October forecast but virtually unchanged from the previous year's acreage. The average U.S. yield is forecast at 1,737 pounds per acre, a decrease of 17 pounds from October's forecast and 31 pounds below the 2008 yield. The production forecast in North Dakota, the largest producing state, is down 17 percent from 2008. Production increased from a year ago for baby lima, small white, pinto, black, blackeye, and chickpeas. Production decreased from last year for large lima, navy, great northern, light red kidney, dark red kidney, pink, small red, and cranberry.

